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Applicant: Salituro *et al.* Art Unit: 1624
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For: *Inhibitors of C-Jun N-Terminal Kinases*

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
WASHINGTON D.C. 20231

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT


Dear Examiner McKenzie:

In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed March 13, 2003, Applicants elect without traverse **Group I**, directed to claim 3 and parts of claims 1, 2, and 4-13, drawn to 3-oximino indoles, compounds of formula I with A^1-A^4 = carbon and W = nitrogen, classified in class 548, subclass 438, among others.

A response to the Restriction Requirement was due April 13, 2003. However, since April 13, 2003 falls on a Sunday, Applicants respectfully submit that the filing of this response on Monday, April 14, 2003, the next business day after April 13, 2003, is timely. If it is believed that a telephone call would expedite prosecution, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at (617) 444-6536. It is believed that there are no fees associated with this amendment; however, if Applicants are mistaken, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any fees (or credit any overpayments) to Deposit Account Number: 50-0725, reference number VPI/99-01 CON US.

Respectfully submitted,

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